



# News Release

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### **Flood Insurance to Be Discussed In Northern Idaho**

Updated floodplain maps, along with information about flood insurance for homes and businesses, will be provided at public meetings June 24 and 25 in northern Idaho.

An insurance specialist from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will make presentations and be available for questions. The state floodplain coordinator's staff will provide updated Flood Information Rate Maps (FIRMs), so residents can locate their property in relation to the designated flood hazard area.

Flood risk maps in Shoshone County have been revised and some areas are now in flood hazard zones that previously were shown as low hazard. Property owners who buy insurance before the maps become effective on September 26 in almost all cases will have lower insurance rates.

The June 24 meeting will be at 7 p.m. at the Pinehurst City Hall. The June 25 meeting will be at 7 p.m. at the Elks Lodge on McKinley Avenue in Kellogg. For more information contact Mary McGown, State Floodplain Coordinator with the Idaho Department of Water Resources at (208) 287-4928.

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